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Hongkong, December 5, 1904. 1415

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No article is genuine unless same bears
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Beware of imitations.
YAU SHUN & CO.,
CHAM MUK LANE,
Canton.
January 12, 1905. 95

COACHING FOR VARIOUS EXAM-
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Apply to
"R. K."
Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office.
Hongkong, January 12, 1905. 94

NOTICE.

THE IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.
I have this day RESUMED CHARGE
of the HONGKONG BRANCH.
E. W. RUTHER,
Manager.
Hongkong, January 6, 1905. 57

WANTED.

AN ASSISTANT IN WINE BUSINESS;
Experience in the Trade and Ability
to Correspond indispensable.
Apply to
"EXCELSIOR,"
Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office.
Hongkong, January 7, 1905. 63

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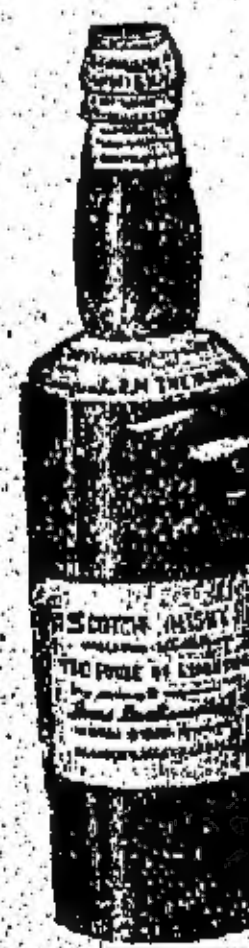
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This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at
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s.s. SALAM, 588 tons, Captain J. Welby.
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SPECIAL TERMS FOR MONTHLY BOARDERS.
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Bedrooms. Monthly Boarders accommodated on very Moderate Terms.
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DR. M. H. CHAUN,
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From the University of Pennsylvania,
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Hongkong, July 23, 1904. 1388

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JOHN D. HUMPHREY & SON,

General Managers.

Hongkong, January 11, 1905. 82

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the

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December, 1904.

TAIT & CO.

Agency, January 1, 1905. 51

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Have always on hand an Ample Stock.

Supplies executed at shortest notice.

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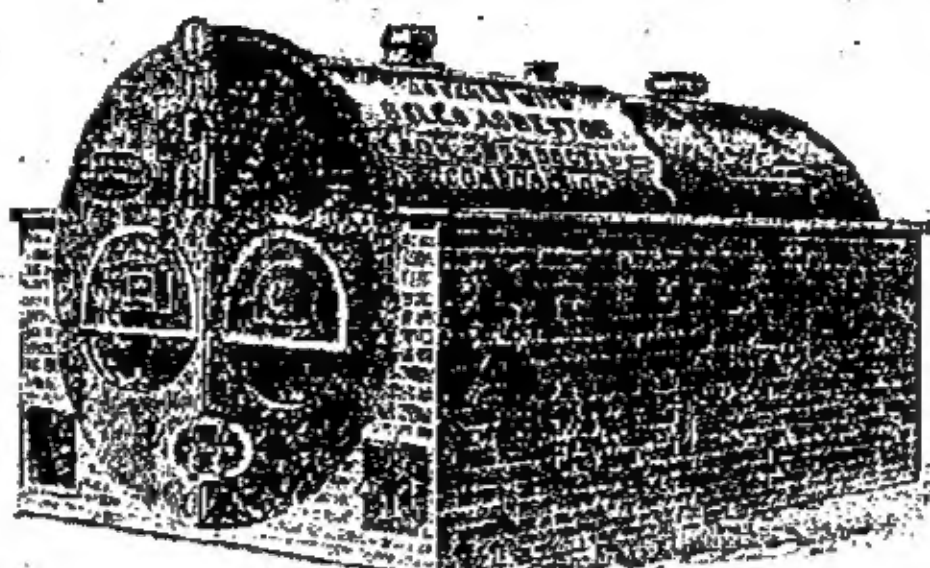
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attested by 3700 Recommendations which I have received from all Sources.

Hongkong, August 2, 1904. 1419

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AMATEUR WORK A SPECIALITY.

Hongkong, October 5, 1904. 1812

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Admirably Situated—Sheltered from the North-East Monsoon and Open to the

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Glazed Stoneware, Drain Pipes and Fittings, Glazed

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"GOLD REEF" BRAND

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30 Cts., 40 Cts. and 55 Cts. Per Tin.

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HIGH-CLASS GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES.
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S. MINAMI, Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, May 31, 1904.

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MELLIN'S FOOD
For INFANTS and INVALIDS.
MELLIN'S FOOD is free from Starch
When prepared is similar to Breast Milk.
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EXPORTERS OF COAL to Hongkong,
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SOLE PROPRIETORS of Takashima
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which will be ready to produce on a large
scale the best Buzen Coal from 1905.
Sole Agents for Kigyo, Komatsu (Tagawa)
and Matsushima Coals.
The Head and Branch Offices and the
Agencies of the Company will receive any
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Collieries.
Coal sold in 1903 by the Company
amounted to 1,210,000 tons.

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New and additional shafts at the Tak-
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MADE from the Best of Ingredients and
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in 1lb, 2lb, 3lb, and of other sizes, made to
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STATIONER & PAPER MERCHANT,
No. 20, POTTINGER STREET.
HAS always on Hand every kind of
Stationery, Paper for Office Use and
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of the Best Make, and Automatic Cylinders
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30 Years' Experience in U.S.A.
UP-TO-DATE CUTTER.
PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED.
FANCY GOODS DEALER.
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Intimations.

HONGKONG-JOCKEY CLUB.
NOTICE.
THE Date of the Closing of Entries for
the Forthcoming Race Meeting is
POSTPONED until SATURDAY, the
14th January, 1905.
By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, December 29, 1904.

**THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMA-
TION CO., LTD.**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS in this Company
will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE,
Victoria Buildings, on WEDNESDAY, the
18th January, 1905, at 11.30 o'clock A.M.,
for the purpose of receiving the Report of
the Directors, together with a Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1904.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from SATUR-
DAY, the 14th January, to WEDNESDAY,
the 18th January, both days inclusive,
during which period no Transfer of Shares
can be registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 7, 1905.

**CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND
MORTGAGE CO., LTD.**
THE EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in
this Company will be held at the OFFICES
of the COMPANY, St. George's Buildings,
No. 6, Cornhill Road, on WEDNESDAY,
the 18th January, 1905, at 11 A.M., for
the purpose of receiving a Statement of
Accounts and the Report of the General
Manager for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1904, and for the election of a
Committee of Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from SATURDAY,
the 14th January, until WEDNESDAY,
the 18th January, 1905, both days inclusive.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 9, 1905.

**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this
Company will be held at the COMPANY'S
OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MON-
DAY, the 24th January, 1905, at 12 o'clock
Noon, for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors, with Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1904.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from SATUR-
DAY, the 14th January, to MONDAY,
the 30th January, (both days inclusive), during
which period no Transfer of Shares can be
registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 10, 1905.

**THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO.,
LIMITED.**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this
Company will be held at the COMPANY'S
OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MON-
DAY, the 24th January, 1905, at 11.45
o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving
the Report of the Directors together with
Statement of Accounts for the year ending
31st December, 1904.
The REGISTER of SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED from SATUR-
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By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
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Hongkong, January 10, 1905.

**HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE
CO., LTD.**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a
Call of \$7.50 per Share has been
made in respect of all Shares not fully paid
up and that such call is payable on 3rd
January, 1905, at the REGISTERED
OFFICES of the COMPANY, Alexandra
Buildings, Des Vaux Road, Hongkong.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, November 1, 1904.

NOTICE.
MR. AH WAH, of Messrs. Che San Bros.
of Yokohama, Bookbinders, etc., begs
to inform the Public of Hongkong that he
has opened a Branch in this Colony, at
No. 10, Pottinger Street, under the style
of CHE SAN BROTHERS, and is prepared
to execute all kinds of General Job
PRINTING, RUBBER STAMP MAKING, COP-
PER-PLATE PRINTING and ENGRAVING,
STATIONERY, DRAFT FORMS and ACCOUNT
BOOKS.
All Orders will be attended to and exe-
cuted in the shortest time, and the Firm
hopes to be favoured with the kind
patronage of the Public.
Hongkong, December 5, 1904.

BOO CHONG,
STATIONER & PAPER MERCHANT,
No. 20, POTTINGER STREET.
HAS always on Hand every kind of
Stationery, Paper for Office Use and
Writing-paper, Copying Presses, Pencils
of the Best Make, and Automatic Cylinders
and Ellipse Duplicator.
Hongkong, November 10, 1904.

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Hongkong, December 14, 1904.

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Hongkong, December 14, 1904.

Intimations.



Hongkong, January 12, 1905.

To Let.

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GODOWN No. 3, NEW PRAYA,
Kennedy Town.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, November 21, 1904.

TO LET.
FURNISHED ROOM in Kowloon, with
or without Board, Suitable for Married
Couple or Two Bachelors, Tannis.
Apply to
'M.'
Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office.
Hongkong, January 9, 1905.

TO LET.
THREE FIRST-CLASS SHOPS, Euro-
pean Style, in Kowloon. Possession
on or about 31st August, 1905.
MODERATE RENTALS.
Apply to
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE
CO., LTD.
Hongkong, October 5, 1904.

TO LET.
A T. East Point, a New BRICK-BUILT
2-STORY GODOWN with Water
Frontage.
Apply to
SARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
Hongkong, November 29, 1904.

TO LET.
Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, BARROW TER-
RACE, KOWLOON.
Apply to
SAM WANG & CO., LTD.,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, December 2, 1904.

TO LET—FURNISHED.
A LAKWONG MOUNTGROUCH Peak,
from the 15th Mch. Well Fur-
nished. Less than 15 minutes' walk
from the Tram Station.
Apply to
M. W. SLADE,
64, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, January 9, 1905.

HONGKONG CLUB.
TO LET.
A SUITE of 2 ROOMS, on the Ground-
floor of the Annex, suitable for
Offices.
For Particulars, apply to the Under-
signed.
C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, June 2, 1904.

TO LET.
No. 1, RIFON TERRACE.
A HOUSE in WONG NEI CHONG ROAD,
FLATS in MORRISON TERRACE, facing the
Polo Ground.
OFFICES, in Course of Erection, Cop-
penhanger Road (near Black Pier).
GODOWNS PRATA EAST.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, December 3, 1904.

TO LET.
NEW HOUSES, To Let, in CASTLE
ROAD.
Apply to
SAM WANG & CO., LTD.,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, October 22, 1904.

TO LET.
No. 1 STEWART TERRACE, The
Peak.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.
Hongkong, March 28, 1904.

TO LET—FURNISHED.
A LATE CHELTENDALE, Mount
Gough, Peak, from 1st April. Well
Furnished. Less than 15 minutes' walk
from the Tram.
Apply to
R. HANCOCK,
c/o Shewan, Tomes & Co.
Hongkong, January 11, 1905.

SING ON & CO.
Nos. 45 & 47, Hing Loong Street,
TRINITY STREET, METAL and HARD-
WARE MERCHANTS.
Retail and Wholesale Dealers in Pig Iron
and Foundry Castings, and General
Storekeepers. Prices Moderate.
Hongkong, December 14, 1904.

SHANGHAI RUND MURDER.

The Preliminary Court Martial.

There was a further sitting in this matter
yesterday morning and afternoon, says the
N.C. Daily News on January 7. At the
morning sitting, Police-sergeant Roche,
who was on duty at the Central Police
Station charge-room when the two accused
sailors were brought in, gave evidence as
to their condition, and repeated what was
told him by the Sikh and Chinese constables
who accompanied the prisoners to the
Station.

In the afternoon the medical evidence
was taken of Dr. Marsh, who examined the
deceased some three hours before his
death, and who now gave a description of
the wound and stated how it might have
been inflicted, and what measures were
taken to preserve Chou Sang-yu's life.

There will be a further sitting of the
Court on Monday morning, when one
foreign witness who has not yet given
evidence will be called upon to appear, if
necessary, by a subpoena from the Consul.

When the preliminary enquiry is con-
cluded, a report of the proceedings will
be furnished to the Russian Admiral, who
will then appoint a date for the formal
trial, giving the Police, Press and witnesses
twenty-four hours' notice of the date and
time at which the enquiry will be held.

GOSSIP FROM SHANGHAI.

[BY THE NONSQUINT.]

SHANGHAI, January 6.
Shanghai has grieved very truly over the
sad death of Mr. John Graham. He was
one of those good old stagers who knew
Shanghai in its wild infancy and many
were the thrilling tales he could tell of the
days when every man knew the feel of a
pistol. He was possessed of a grit and
courage and aptitude for hard work that
marked him out for success when he was a
very young man indeed. And with these
qualities he combined a never-fading
generosity and kindness of spirit that
endowed him to all, and just that
touch of the devil-may-care that al-
ways commands love when the heart
is in the right place. He knew his
ups and downs of life, and, unfortunately,
it would seem, the devils have been too
heavy for his advancing years, and he re-
solved, with characteristic and sudden
determination, once and for all to lay aside
the cares which were outweighing the
quieter moments of life, and by so doing
Shanghai has lost a sincerely loved and
respected friend.

Port Arthur has fallen and with the
announcement I see the newsways racing
and tearing down the narrow ways of Fleet
Street charging and obtaining what they
like for their papers, but how different it
is in Shanghai, close upon the seat of the
war. The papers, it is true, have managed
to fill up space with big type, which they
profess to hope will make amends
for the scarcity of particulars, but there is
an absence of any real excitement,
of pleasure or pain according to in-
dividual sympathies, that is very notice-
able. True, the River front was fiercely
illuminated and a few rockets scared from
the hands of patriotic Japanese, but as for
general rejoicing or congratulation, no one
seemed to think of it. Shanghai is a
peculiar community. It is sufficient unto
itself and whatever epoch-making events
may stir the outside world, it pursues its
own untrodden way, and the struggle be-
tween two great representatives of Eastern
and Western powers has presented little
interest for the majority of us. I suppose
this is the result of our great superiority,
and whatever, also we doubt, in this our
faith never will be shaken.

HEUMATISM is cured by Cham-
berlain's Pain Balm. One application
relieves the pain. For sale by All Dealers,
WATKINS & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

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FOOCHOW LACQUERED WARE.

68, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, September 3, 1904.

1927

ASTHMACURE

GRIMAUD'S INDIAN CIGARETTES

THE HIGHEST BRIDGE IN THE WORLD.

The celebrated 'Cape to Cairo' railway of Cecil Rhodes which still exists chiefly on paper, has as one of its principal links the Rhodesian Railway, which is to extend from the South African railway system into the heart of Central Africa. This is actually under construction and has now reached the great Zambesi river, 1,643 miles from Cape Town, which stream is to be crossed by a steel arch bridge just below the Victoria Falls. Says *Engineering News*, in a brief description of the bridge:—

'The width of the river above and at the falls is about a mile; but the falls are formed by a great rent or fissure, 250 to 400 feet wide and 400 feet deep, which extends entirely across the riverbed. Through the downstream face of this pit opens a narrow gorge, which extends in a zigzag course for a length of some 40 miles beyond this the channel again widens. The bridge will have a main span of 570 feet, composed of steel arch trusses, resembling the two Niagara River bridges. There will also be two parallel chord deck truss spans of 875 feet, extending from the ends of the main span to the abutments. The bridge will be 30 feet wide, sufficient for a double track. The main level will be 425 feet above low-water level, or 350 feet above high water, making this the highest bridge in the world. Drawings and photographs of this bridge and its surroundings form a striking exhibit in the Transportation Building at the St. Louis Exhibition. . . . The material is conveyed across the gorge by a Brothers' electric balanced cableway of 870 feet span. . . .

The electric cableway is also being used for carrying over material for the extension of the line 100 miles north from the Victoria Falls to Kalomo, the capital of North-western Rhodesia. This extension will do a great deal to facilitate the transport difficulties which at present hinder the development of the great Northern copper fields. Already plans have been made to develop the water-power of the falls. It is estimated that when this river is in flood the volume of water is about double that at Niagara, and represents about 35,000,000 horsepower. The electrical power would be delivered to long-distance transmission lines, and distributed to the copper, gold, and coal fields which are already being opened up.'

Galle Chamber of Commerce.

Owing to the wreck of the *Scandria* at Galle, Ceylon, a Chamber of Commerce has been formed to enable those concerned in the trade of the port to take concerted action for their interests. The first meeting was held on December 13, when this unfortunate wreck and matters connected with the harbour engaged attention. The first Chairman of the Chamber is Mr. Chas. P. Hayley; and Mr. B. W. Loebe is Secretary.

A KINDLY PUBLIC OFFICER.

Some months ago a letter from Rai Maya Das, R.B., Magistrate of the First Class and Master of the Munda Estate in the Ferozepore District, Punjab, was received in London, by the proprietors of Mother Syrup, in which the writer ordered some of the Syrup to be sent to him at Ferozepore, and mentioned that a boy in the camp had been recently cured of dysentery by using the Syrup. The English firm wrote to Mr. Rai Maya Das, asking for some further information, and these are the letters he sent in reply.

THE MAGISTRATE'S LETTER.

The Nest, Ferozepore, September 19th, 1904.

A. J. White, Esq., London.

Dear Sir,—With reference to your letter dated London, 26th July, 1904, I have the pleasure to enclose a certificate from the father of the boy who was completely cured, as it came under my personal observation, therefore I can testify with confidence that the accompanying certificate is a genuine one. It is written in the Hindustani language, and I have translated it for you and it speaks for itself. I have since been recommending this wonderful Syrup to people far and near, for I remain often out in camp. I always travel with a bottle of the Syrup in my box and have already used 2 bottles out of the dozen I bought from you in May last. Each boy who and I (and we have 14 children) see it freely with any one of us is out of camp, and it acts like a charm. My wife has been suffering from a rheumatic pain in her back for some time, and she thought it was a 'chuma', but I thought it was the liver, and so gave her a few bottles, and now she is as well as she can be, going easily up and down the stairs—formerly it was a real trial for her to go up a single step.

Please send me this time another dozen or even two dozen, if there is any saving in it. Thinking you is satisfied and also for your past kindness in complying with my request so promptly, I remain, dear Sir, Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) Rai Maya Das, R.B., Magistrate 1st Class and Master Munda Estate in the Ferozepore District, Punjab, India.

THE CERTIFICATE.

'I, Pir Baksh, of Mandola, in the Ferozepore District, declare that my son of about 12 years of age, namely, Ghalib Ahmad, was very ill about the year 1901. He was under the treatment of the physicians, namely, M. Khushi, Mohamed and Ahmad, for some time, but was no better. His fever grew worse, and he became so weak that the least exertion gave him palpitation of heart, and his motions were frequent and very ill at a time. His diet did not agree with him, and at last the boy was skin and bone, and was in despair, until one day when Rai Maya Das, R.B., Esq., Assistant Commissioner, while out in camp, heard of the child's ailment, and expressed his opinion that the child was suffering from a bad form of dysentery, and recommended Mother Syrup.

'I began with 10 drops after meals, and by the time we had tried the Syrup for about 20 days, the child was improving fast, and after taking 3 small bottles he was quite well. He is now robust and in excellent health, and his younger brother, too, who had had fever, is now being treated the same way and is recovering fast.

It is not often that a public officer or man of standing in any country is willing and kind enough to praise himself in the personal affairs of others, but the case of Rai Maya Das has done this justice. He points out the way of relief for all who suffer from indigestion and stomach troubles.

Intimations

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ESTABLISHED 1841.
AERATED WATER MANUFACTURERS.

NOTICE.

WE Beg to Notify Customers that from 1st January, 1905, Separate Accounts will be rendered for Aerated Waters. An inclusive charge will be made for Waters and Bottles, and full credit will be allowed for empties when returned.

Orders for Aerated Waters should be addressed to
A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,
Des Vaux Road Central.

PRICE LIST.
\$1.20 per dozen will be allowed for Aerated Water Bottles when returned in good condition.

Per Doz.
Soda Water ... \$1.70
Soda Water in Bombay Bottles 1.80
Potash Seltzer and B.P. Soda 1.80
Lemonade ... 1.80
Tonic Water ... 1.80
Lithia Water ... 1.95
Ginger Ale ... 1.95
Lemon Squash ... 1.95
Raspberryade ... 1.95
Stone Ginger Beer ... 1.95
Hongkong, December 28, 1904. 2319

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Hongkong, July 20, 1904. 133

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No. 10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
MODERATE CHARGES.
Mrs WATLING, Proprietress.
Hongkong, July 27, 1904. 1374

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Large Airy Well-furnished Rooms.
Table d'Hôte at Separate Tables. Cuisine under the direct supervision of the Proprietress. Moderate Terms.
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TANG YUEN.

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Splendid View of Harbour.
No. 18, MACDONNELL ROAD.
Under European Management.
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or
At FAIRALL & CO.,
Opposite Hongkong Hotel.
Hongkong, June 10, 1903. 97

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(In English and Chinese).
WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office.—Price, 91 each.
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EUROPEAN MAIL.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	MAIL DUE LONDON ABOUT.	DUE.
Jan. 14	P. & O. Hilda	London		Feb. 13
15	G. M. S. Room	Bremen		26
24	M. M. Australia	Marseilles	Feb. 28	
25	P. & O. Comorand	London		28
Feb. 1	G. M. S. Bayern	Hamburg		March 4
11	P. & O. Silesia	London		14
15	G. M. S. Zieten	Bremen		28
25	P. & O. Chusan	London		April 1

CANADIAN MAIL.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	DUE.
1905			1905
Jan. 26	C.P.R. Tartar	Vancouver.	Feb. 18
Feb. 8	do.	do.	Mar. 29
March 8	do.	Empress of Japan	do.
18	do.	Empress of China	do.
29	do.	Empress of India	do.
April 19	do.	Tartar	do.
36	do.	Empress of Japan	do.
May 10	do.	Athenian	do.
24	do.	do.	June 17

AMERICAN MAIL.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	DUE.
1905			1905
Jan. 24	P.M.S. Silesia	San Francisco	Feb. 21
Feb. 3	do.	do.	March 3
17	do.	China	do.
26	do.	Manchuria	do.
March 11	O. & O. Doric	do.	April 8
24	do.	Korea	do.
April 4	do.	Cepte	do.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

DEP.	STEAMER.	DESTINATION.	DUE.
1905			1905
Jan. 20	C. N. Taiwan	Spdney.	Feb. 12
23	N. D. L. Prinz Waldemar	do.	Mar. 1
Feb. 6	E. & A. Empire	do.	25
11	C. N. Tama	do.	28
Mar. 6	N. D. L. Prinz Sigismund	do.	28
8	E. & A. Eastern	do.	29
April 5	Australian	do.	26
17	N. D. L. Prinz Waldemar	do.	10
May 3	E. & A. Empire	do.	24
29	N. D. L. Prinz Sigismund	do.	21

His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Alcidity	despatch-vessel	1700	12	9000	Comdr. Richard M. Harbord	Hongkong
Albion	battleship, 1st class	12,950	42	13,500	Captain Sydney F. Fremantle	Hon. kong
Albion	alop	1050	6	1400	Commander R. Nugent	Hongkong
Amphitrite	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,000	Capt. Charles Windham, O.V.O.	Wanchow
Andromeda	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	18,000	Capt. R. N. O'Malley	Hongkong
Brant	gunboat, 1st class	710	4	1300	Lieut. Comd. O. M. Makins	Hongkong
Britomart	gunboat, 1st class	710	4	1300	Lieut. Comd. T. D. Pratt	Hongkong
Centurion	battleship, 1st class	10,100	14	13,000	Captain Fegan	Hongkong
Cressy	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Henry M. Tudor	Hongkong
Orion	water tank and tug	380	—	270		Singapore
Esperanza	alop	1070	10	1400	Comdr. Ernest Barton	Singapore
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	320	6	800	Lieut. Comd. Asse	Singapore
Fearless	cruiser, 3rd class	1680	12	3200	Comdr. P. V. Lowe, D.S.O.	Singapore
*Glorious	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,000	Captain Hon. Walter H. St. John	Singapore
*Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Reserve	Singapore
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000		Singapore
Hogue	cruiser, 1st class	15,000	14	21,000	Captain Shortland	Singapore
Harbor	storeship	1040	—	800	Lieut. Comd. R. M. Biadore	Singapore
Iphigenia	cruiser, 3rd class	3200	17	5000	Captain W. B. Fauskner	Singapore
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Lieut. Comd. C. P. Mutchall	Singapore
Kinshasa	river gunboat	—	4	—	Captain F. G. Kirby	Singapore
Leviathan	cruiser, 1st class	14,000	14	31,500	Lt. Comd. R. E. Vaughan	Singapore
Moorehead	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt. Comd. F. G. Kirby	Singapore
Neos	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain T. G. Groot	Singapore
Orion	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Reserve	Singapore
Phaenix	alop	1015	6	1400	Comdr. John Nicholas	Singapore
Ramifier	Surveying-vessel	835	6	850	Comdr. O. B. Moore	Singapore
Roba	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Comd. R. E. Vaughan	Singapore
Rosario	alop	980	6	1400	Comdr. Vivian	Singapore
Sandwich	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Comd. H. T. Atty	Singapore
Sirius	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	8	5000	Capt. C. H. H. Moore	Singapore
Sinip	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut. Comd. Davidson	Singapore
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	260	6	6500	Lieut. Comd. Crawford	Singapore
Tamar	receiving ship	420	0	—	Commodore Dickson	Singapore
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	850	Lt. Comd. R. H. Keate	Singapore
Thetis	cruiser, 3rd class	3400	8	5000	Capt. J. A. C. Wilkinson	Singapore
Thetis	coast defence gunboat	303	7	200	Lieut. Comd. R. H. Keate	Singapore
Vengeance	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Capt. Leslie Stuart, C.M.G.	Singapore
Vesta	alop	960	6	1400	Comdr. S. St. John Farguhar	Singapore
Virgo	torpedo boat destroyer	255	6	6300	Reserve	Singapore
Waterwitch	surveying ship	320	—	450	Comdr. Ernest C. Hardy	Singapore
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	6500	In Reserve	Singapore
Woodlark	river gunboat	175	2	800	Lieut. Comd. C. W. Wrightson	Singapore
	river gunboat	220	2	300	Lieut. Comd. Wason	Singapore

* Flag of Admiral Sir Gerard H. Noel, Commander-in-Chief.

+ Flag of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon-Howe, O.B., C.M.G.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name	Flag and Description	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	
Aspern	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	2437	20	7300	Capt. Friedrich Grisenberger	Singapore
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	29	8000	Captain Mierl	Shanghai
Achéron	French armoured gunboat	1798	10	1700	Comdr. Laferrière	Saigon
Alouette	French gunboat	300	7	400	Lieut. A. Varney	Saigon
Argus	French gunboat	123	—	500	Lieut. Crespin	Onton
Aspic	French gunboat	478	—	450	Lieut. Jonnie	Saigon
Arcturion	French gunboat	140	5	100		Haiphong
Bugard	French cruiser	3740	29	9000	Capt. Lefèvre	Saigon
Casse-tête	French gunboat	140	5	150		Saigon
*Châteaurenault	French cruiser	8018	18	17,000	Captain V. Poldine	Haiphong
Comète	French gunboat	625	4	438	Commander Lovel	Wooneng
Decade	French gunboat	650	13	900	Commander L'Est	Haiphong
D'Alessa	French cruiser	4000	31	9500		Saigon
Eaton	French gunboat	—	—	—		Saigon
Froude	French destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Johannes	Haiphong
Gueydon	French cruiser	9370	30	20,200		Haiphong
Henri Rivière	French gunboat	307	7	800	Lieut. Comdr. Bouassant	Haiphong
Javelin	French destroyer	307	7	800	Commander Le Collier	Shanghai
Kerabat	French gunboat	1250	12	19,600	Captain C. de Van Prat	Haiphong
*Montcalm	French cruiser	9700	12	19,600	Capt. Hours	Haiphong
Mosquet	French torpedo-boat	350	7	390	Comdr. Senne	Yangtze
Orly	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. de Woerth	Yangtze
Pascal	French cruiser	4015	27	8600	Comdr. Senne	Hongay
Pierrot	French torpedo-boat	450	7	390	Lieut. de Woerth	Haiphong
Redoubtable	French cruiser	9437	8	20,000	Capt. Vincent	Saigon
Seyr	French cruiser	1795	10	1700	Capt. Vincent	Saigon
Sully	French cruiser	9855	—	20,000	Captain Guilbertau	Shanghai
Surprise	French gunboat	628	9	900	Lieut. Holgue	Shanghai
Takling	French gunboat	—	—	—		Yangtze
Vauban	French cruiser	6180	23	4660	Captain Blondel	Along Bay
Vigilante	French gunboat	125	7	600	Lieut. Ozel	Canton
Basard	German cruiser	1857	15	2900	Comdr. Iias	
Fürst Bismarck	German flagship	11,000	38	14,000	Captain Prowe	
Geier	German cruiser	1776	15	2900	Comdr. von Stednitz	Hongkong
Hansa	German cruiser	8230	34	10,000	Capt. Weber	Shanghai
Hertha	German cruiser	8550	37	10,000	Capt. Baron Schimmelmans	
Ilse	German gunboat	1050	10	1300	Comdr. Baron von M. Hüllessem	Singapore
Leiser	German gunboat	930	10	1300	Comdr. Wilbrandt	Nanking
Luchs	German gunboat	1080	10	1344	Comdr. Kroncke	Shanghai
Möwe	German gunboat	1009	8	876	Comdr. von Grunbkow	Hongkong
Seedler	German cruiser	1640	15	2800	Comdr. Peresius	Manila
Theist	German cruiser	2650	24	9000	Captain Velt	Hongkong
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Deimling	Shanghai
Tingtau	German gunboat	170	5	1300	Comdr. Giebler	
Vorwärts	German gunboat	—	3	800	Lieut. Schart	Canton
Elba	Italian cruiser	2300	10	7471	Captain Borsari	
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	3890	—	—	Captain Presbitero	Shanghai
Puglia	Italian cruiser	2498	29	7000	Capt. Pescotto	Shanghai
Adamastor	Portuguese cruiser	1960	14	4900	Captain d'Aras Ribeiro	Hongkong
Dio	Portuguese gunboat	730	—	—	Captain Coutinho	Macao
Vasco de Gama	Portuguese cruiser	3215	20	6000	Capt. Manuel Vasco de Carvalho	Hongkong
Alcant	Russian gunboat	810	5	730	Comdr. Guint-r	Viadivostok
Amur	Russian cruiser	2600	5	4700	Comdr. Gramscheloff	Port Artna
Ansk	Russian cruiser	6000	27	24,000	Capt. Reltzenstein	Shanghai
Babro	Russian cruiser	7500	10	18,500		Port Artna
Bogaty	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	Comdr. Erjeskovich	
Diana	Russian cruiser	6640	12	19,500		
Dijhlit	Russian cruiser	6731	6	8000		Saigon
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	1456	3	1700	Capt. Nasarovsky	Port Artna
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	509	9	3500	Comdr. Zoureff	Port Artna
Gromobol	Russian gunboat	8 1430	9000	Comdr. Zogarsky	Port Artna	
Gullak	Russian cruiser	12,384	44	14,600	Captain Jessor	
Mundjour	Russian gunboat	1000	6	1006	Comdr. Shumof	Viadivostok
Novik	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Commander Crown	Shanghai
Ovayev	Russian gunboat	3000	6	17,000		Shanghai
Petropavlovsk	Russian gunboat	1430	6	2000	Comdr. Vasiloff	Shanghai
Petropavlovsk	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,600	Captain Kroleff	Port Artna
Pobeda	Russian battleship	10,960	18	10,600	Captain Latoroff	
Poltava	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,600	Capt. Zatzarseng	Danang
Rasbnyler	Russian battleship	10,960	18	10,600	Captain Oseoff	Port Artna
Ratvian	Russian cruiser	1334	10	1786	Comdr. Liven	Port Artna
Roseta	Russian protected cruiser	12,902	16	16,000		Port Artna
Savastopol	Russian protected cruiser	12,500	68	17,000	Captain Sepeleppoff	Viadivostok
Silach	Russian gunboat	10,323	28	7,000	Capt. Matasvich	
Vasnak	Russian gunboat	10,380	18	10,600	Capt. Sepeleppoff	Port Artna
Zabyanka	Russian gunboat	850	2	1185	Lieut. Comdr. Fennoff	Port Artna
	Russian gunboat	500	9	3300	Comdr. Zagoratsky-Kissel	Port Artna
	Russian cruiser	1230	16	1184	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Artna
Alban	U. S. cruiser	3789	28	7500	Capt. Dyer	Cavite
Annapolis	U. S. gunboat	1000	12	1227	Capt. Robber	Shanghai
Bainbridge	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. G. Williams	Manila
Baltimore	U. S. cruiser	4500	—	—	Capt. Sargent	Hongkong
Barry	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8100	Lieut. Irwin	Manila
Calico	U. S. gunboat	2 18	10	600	Lieut. Disnaker	Manila
Chaunoy	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. E. P. Jessop	Manila
Cummad	U. S. cruiser	3215	28	7000	Lieut. Hugo Osterhaus	Chefoo
Dale	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. H. Arnold	Manila
Deceatur	U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. A. W. Knox	Manila
Eleono	U. S. gunboat	550	10	6000	Lt.-Comdr. J. Flood	Shanghai
Helena	U. S. gunboat	1292	8	1388	Comdr. P. E. Sanyer	Manila
Monamnock	U. S. monitor	3590	8	8000	Captain Mahan	Shanghai
Miner	U. S. monitor	4030	4	624	Comdr. J. E. Milhen	Shanghai
New Orleans	U. S. cruiser	3437	20	7630	Comdr. G. B. Harbo	Cavite
Oregon	U. S. cruiser	10,288	45	11,111	Captain Birral	Manila
Pampanga	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Ensign J. E. Bass	Shanghai
Parana	U. S. gunboat	201	3	250	Capt. Bennett	Cavite
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	4015	14	7500	Capt. J. B. Collins	Manila
Raleigh	U. S. cruiser	3215	18	7500	Capt. Marshall	Shanghai
San Francisco	U. S. cruiser	4030	27	7500	Captain Verry	Manila
Yickoburg	U. S. cruiser	1000	12	1113	Comdr. Marshall	Shanghai
Villalobos	U. S. gunboat	347	3	590	Lieut. H. A. IV ley	Shanghai
Winnington	U. S. gunboat	1397	8	1884	Commander A. W. Dodd	Manila
Wisconsin	U. S. flagship	12,000	50	12,600	Captain Clover	Shanghai

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Auction.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, etc., at Mr. V. L. Remedios' Sales Rooms.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Orchestral Concert in City Hall.

Miscellaneous.

Register of Shares of The Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 18th inst. inclusive.

Transfer Books of China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., closed from this date to 18th January inclusive.

Goods per *Indra* not cleared on this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, January 15.—

Goods per *Beijing* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, January 16.—

8 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at the Public Works Department's Offices.

Goods per *Orin* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, January 17.—

Goods per *Edwin* not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, January 18.—

11 a.m.—Meeting of China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd., at Co's Office.

11.30 a.m.—Meeting of The Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

7.45 p.m.—Allegretto Dinner at Hongkong Hotel.

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On January 7, at 2, Quinan Gardens, the wife of C. R. Dawson, (1st Son).

MARRIAGE.

On January 7, Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. A. J. Walker, M.A., WILLIAM FOX, younger son of Captain William P. Hamilton, of Greenock and Shanghai, to ROSE ELLEN, daughter of Walter Loxton, of Kobe.

DEATH.

On January 5, at Hankow, HANSCH QUINSON, of the Ostasiatische Handels Gesellschaft (A.G.), aged 29 years.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 1905.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Now that Port Arthur has fallen, speculation has been indulged in as to the future movements of the Baltic fleet.

Rumours that it has been recalled reach us one day, and the next sends us intelligence that it is still on its way and that reinforcements for it are on the way out.

Whether Russia is still playing a bold game of bluff or not, or is recklessly plunging her all with the hope of a shared success, it is hard to determine. From what we can learn she has pressed every tact that can float out of the Baltic into the service, and has given every indication that she is determined to pay the audacious Japanese out. The question is will she take any further steps to get her Black Sea fleet into action? Will she force the passage of the Dardanelles? Once before, in 1870, when France and Germany were in the throes of war, Prince Gortschakoff startled Europe by threatening that Russia would disregard the Treaty of Paris. The clause of the Treaty neutralising the waters of the Black Sea was, in London, at a conference convened by Prince Bismarck, annulled, and that diploma triumph will no doubt be remembered in Russia to-day.

And the recollection of it might tempt her now to endeavour to break down the clause sealing the Dardanelles against her. What England would do in such a case it is difficult to say. To force Russia to assent to the Treaty 48 years ago England spent 24,000 lives and £41,000,000, but it is questionable whether to-day she would even spill blood to prevent what was thus gained from slipping through her fingers. The Government of to-day is not the Government of 48 years ago, and if there be a change in Administration, as is expected in a few months, there is no likelihood of a Ministry with more grit than the existing one being put into Power. Add to that the fact that Great Britain would probably have to stand alone if she determined to resist any attempt by Russia to tear up what remains of the Treaty, and we get the deduction that if Russia now determined to get her ships out of the Black Sea she would succeed in bloodlessly doing so, just as she succeeded in her desires in 1870.

We hope not, but cool consideration of the question tends strongly to that belief.

GENERAL NEWS.

The whole of the track of the Seoul-Fusan Railway was opened for public traffic on January 1.

Lieut-General Sir William Nicholson has returned from his second visit to the front, and on January left Hiroshima for Kobe by rail.

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LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The French Mail of the 13th December was delivered in London on the 11th January.

St George's Bell.

We understand that the Englishmen of the Colony have decided to hold a ball to celebrate St. George's Day. They are determined not to let the Scotsmen beat them.

Jane.

The members of the Amateur Dramatic Company are vigorously rehearsing 'Jane,' and the dress rehearsal will be held on Jan. 19. There are indications that the booking will be heavy. It is to be hoped so.

Naval Yard Strike Over.

The strike at the Naval Yard, which took place amongst the workmen in consequence of a coolie being exposed in the stocks is now over, according to a statement made in Court at the Magistracy this morning.

The Shanghai Bund Tragedy.

It was reported in Shanghai mandarin circles on January 8 that the Russian Consul has sent a dispatch to Yuan Tsai of this port refusing the latter's demand for a special tribunal to try the two Russian sailors charged with the murder of Cheu Sen-yu on the 15th ultimo.

Chinese Emigration to Australia.

The hearing was resumed, at the Magistracy, this afternoon, of the case in which two Chinese were charged with attempting to defraud the E. and A. and China Navigation Companies, and of attempting to defraud Han Tim of the sum of \$250. Mr. Otto Kung Sing gave expert evidence as to the laws in force to restrict the admission of Asiatics to the Commonwealth of Australia.

Union Church Literary Club.

An enjoyable entertainment was given by the Union Church Literary Club last evening to mark the opening night of the second half term. There were a good number of members present and a well arranged programme of musical and literary items was gone through. Those who contributed were Miss Harter, Mrs. David Wood, Mr. E. F. Ascott, and Mr. W. G. Leckie. Mr. George Crimble acted efficiently as accompanist.

Band at Hongkong Hotel.

By kind permission of Col. Caulfield and officers, the Band of the 11th Mahratta Light Infantry will play the following selections to-morrow evening Saturday January 14, at the Hongkong Hotel Co. Ltd.

March.....When the Moon with Glory Brightens.....Arbuckle Selection.....The Earl and the Girl.....Valde.....Auf Sehwingen der Liebe.....Bohm Song.....'The Light of the World'.....Adams Selection.....The Belle of New York.....Kerker Bolero.....La Son Ross.....Waldteufel GOD SAVE THE KING.

Dance at 'Leighter'.

Of all the private dances that have been held in the Colony this season none could have been more enjoyable than that held last night at 'Leighter,' the Peak residence of Mr and Mrs N. Post (Consul for Austria-Hungary). Nestling as it does on the edge of the hills rising high above Deep Water Bay 'Leighter' was further beautified without by the varied colours of Chinese lanterns, whilst within the spacious dancing room was made resplendent with charming decorations, and pretty cosy nooks were conjured out of verandah and other spaces. There were many guests and Mr and Mrs Post gave ample evidence of the possession of that masterful tact and thoughtfulness which mark the genuine host and hostess. The band of the Kaiserin Elisabeth provided splendid music, and amongst those who were present to take advantage of it were His Excellency the Governor, Admiral Sir Gerard and Miss Noel, Mrs Villiers Hatton, Sir Henry, Mrs and the Misses Berkeley, Dr and Mrs Kruger (Consul for Germany), Mr and Mrs G. Liebert (Consul for France), Mr Hamman (Consul for Belgium), Chev. and Mrs Z. Voipicelli (Consul-General for Italy), Mr and Mrs E. J. Haver-Drozze (Consul-General for the Netherlands, Colombia and the Misses Brown, Mr and Mrs Genham Stewart, Mr and Mrs L. A. M. Johnston, Mr E. A. Hewitt, Mr and Mrs J. O. Hughes, Mr and Mrs W. D. Graham, Mr W. H. T. Davis, Mr E. H. Sharp, Mrs Kent Mr and Mrs Parr, Mr and Miss Cocker, Capt Mirel, (Kaiserin Elisabeth) and seven officers of the *Forst Bismarck* and many other prominent citizens. Early this morning the guests departed showing, en masse, upon their host and hostess.

A TIMELY SUGGESTION.—This is the season of the year when the prudent and careful housewife replenishes her supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

It is certain to be needed before the winter is over, and results are more prompt and satisfactory when it is kept at hand and given as soon as the cold is contracted and before it has become settled in the system. In almost every instance a severe cold may be warded off by taking this remedy freely as soon as the first indication of the cold appears. There is no danger in giving it to children for it contains no harmful substance. It is pleasant to take—both adults and children like it. Buy it and you will get the best. It always cures. Sold by All Dealers: WATKINS & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

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STRIKES IN RUSSIA.

FIGHTING ON THE OIL FIELDS.

TWO PERSONS KILLED.

Oil Towers Burned.

LONDON, January 12.

Wide-spreading and protracted strikes have taken place on the Baku oilfields.

Fighting occurred between the strikers, the Cossacks and the police, which resulted in serious bloodshed.

The losses on both sides were large, it being officially admitted that the deaths number twenty.

On January 5 a number of oil towers were set on fire and no less than forty-two were burned.

[Baku is a town on the Western shore of the Caspian Sea. It has a population of 12,000 and is the capital of the district of Baku, which has a population of 467,000. The place is famous for its oil springs.]
—Ed., C.M.][REUTER'S SERVICE.]
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RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

BOOTY AT PORT ARTHUR.

A Valuable Haul.

On Thursday General Nogi reported that the delivery of the booty was completed, including the occupation of the permanent forts, 59 in number.

Principal among the booty taken over are:—

556 guns, whereof 54 are of large calibre, 149 medium and 343 small calibre.

84,870 cannonball and ammunition 30,000 kilos.

45,252 rifles.

1920 horses.

Four battleships, not including the *Sevastopol*, which was entirely sunk.

Two cruisers.

Gunboats and destroyers 14 in number.

Ten steamers, etc., besides 35 small vessels which are usable after minor repairs have been effected.

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THE HOLLYWOOD ROAD FIRE.

Seven More Bodies Discovered.

The search for bodies at the house in Hollywood Road, which was destroyed by fire yesterday morning, was continued throughout the afternoon with the result that seven more Chinese were found to have perished in the flames. These bodies were greatly disfigured, some being burnt beyond recognition. All appeared to be those of adults. The house appears to have been a four-story one, looking at it from Hollywood Road, and was so constructed as to be a veritable flesh trap for the inmates. From the upper floors on which the bodies were found there could be no possible escape when the basement was alight, unless the inmates could have made their way through the flames. When the fire broke out one of the men, who has since been arrested upon suspicion of arson, is said to have given the alarm but as he did so in the street it could not possibly have served as a warning to the people sleeping above.

SERIOUS TROUBLE NEAR CANTON.

CANTON, January 12.
Yesterday there was considerable excitement in the city owing to the currency of rumours to the effect that in the 16th Ward there had been trouble of a serious nature between the people and the police.

LAND INVESTMENT CO.

Dividend of \$6.

Subject to audit, the Land Investment Company will pay \$6 per share dividend.

PIRACY IN THE HARBOUR.

A Junk Held Up.

Cayenne Pepper as a Weapon.

One of the most daring cases of piracy reported for some years past occurred in the harbour before daylight this morning. The victim was a passenger junk which plies between Shaikwan and Hongkong and the pirates made a haul running into about \$2,000.

As the junk was making her usual trip, sometime between 2 and 4 o'clock, another boat was seen to come out from the shore of the mainland and approach rapidly in the passenger junk's direction. That her intentions were hostile soon became apparent, and she had no sooner reached the junk than 12 armed men sprang on board showing knives and revolvers.

The crew of the passenger boat, about six in number, were thoroughly taken by surprise and before they could offer any resistance, even if they had thought of doing so, they were placed hors de combat by the pirates throwing cayenne pepper in their eyes. This proved to be just as effective as using more deadly weapons and while the crew were affected with temporary blindness the pirates made their way to the cabin where the money was stored and helped themselves, taking everything valuable that they could lay their hands upon.

The total haul is said to have been about \$2,000, largely represented in silver coins. The pirates then made off but the junk's crew were unable to see which direction they took. The piracy was reported to the police at about 5 o'clock and detectives were at once sent out to look for the offenders. Their efforts were rewarded with success, for during the morning they brought in three men, one of whom was found to have nearly all of the money missing on his person.

RUSSIAN SHOT AND SHELL.

The 'Tungchow' Detained by the Police.

Alleged Ammunition from the 'Diana.'

The steamer 'Tungchow,' which arrived in port yesterday, with, according to her report, a general cargo, has been refused a clearance by the Harbour Master and is now lying in the dangerous goods anchorage in charge of the police.

When the vessel came in yesterday it was reported that she had put into port to replenish her supply of coal and water, and was in the ordinary course, boarded by an officer from the Harbour Masters' department, who succeeded in finding upwards of 200 tons of shot and shell on board that did not appear on the manifest.

This is said to have been brought from Saigon by the 'Tungchow' and is further alleged to be some of the ammunition that was carried by the Russian cruiser 'Diana' which ran into Saigon and disappeared. The steamer appears to have been originally destined for the North and then for some reason, whether the one given or not it is difficult to say, put back into Hongkong and a rumour was circulated to the effect that she was to meet a Russian man-of-war at some distance from the former port but was unable to pick her up. The same rumour also had it that the 'Tungchow' was one of two steamers that have loaded some of the 'Diana's' ammunition.

Inspector Langley, of the Water Police, has placed officers on board the ship. At the Magistrate's office, before Mr. H. J. Compere, Captain Parkes, of the 'Tungchow,' was charged with that having a cargo of ammunition he failed to supply the Harbour Master with a written manifest. The Captain admitted the charge.

Boarding Officer Jones stated that immediately on the vessel's arrival in the harbour he boarded her and was told by the Captain that he had 250 tons of ammunition on board. No one had been on shore from the steamer at the time so that his appearance was the first opportunity the Captain had of reporting. The Captain admitted that he had no manifest such as he was required to supply. He was not provided with a manifest by his character.

Captain Parkes told the Bench that the ammunition was never intended to come into Hongkong, it was absolute necessity that compelled him to put in here for coal and fresh water.

His Worship said that he must indicate the full penalty owing to the large quantity of ammunition on board. The defendant was fined \$250.

The confiscation or otherwise of the ammunition was left to the Harbour Master.

The Sultan of Johore, who has so often figured at Indian Race Meetings, is retiring from the turf. His racing stud was to have been sold at Calcutta on December 22. It included Carrara Gaulmo, Peppercock, Minerva II, Rapid, Filgrin, Domino, Macsachusetts, Johore and Carolan.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory—
On the 13th at 11.55 a.m. the barometer has risen slightly in the Philippines and has fallen at the other stations.
Gradients are slight upon the eastern coast of China and light NE. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel. To the southward the gradient is a little more marked and moderate NE. monsoon will prevail in the northern part of the China sea.
Forecast—Moderate E. to NE. winds, cloudy, fair.

INTERCEPTED LETTERS.

No. XIV—And the Last.

R.M.S. 'Homeward,' Jan. 3rd, 1905.

My Dear Nell,

I am lying in a long chair on deck and taking a last look at the City of Fragrant Waters. I am coming home for good—William has been transferred to the London office and will never again leave his native land.

Hongkong is now for me nothing but an episode, and, as I see the last of it, I keep on alternately envying and pitying those happy or unhappy people for whom it means a career.

It is not for me to weigh in the balance either the place or the people, but I can honestly say that the two years that I have spent here have given me more pleasure, and a greater insight into the good and bad points of my fellow-exiles, than I have experienced before.

The good points heavily out-balance the bad—let it stand at that, Nell. The women who have been kind to me—and there were many—have been so kind that I despair of paying off the debt in the course of an ordinary natural life.

The women who have been unkind to me—and there have been one or two—I have already paid back even to the uttermost farthing; you may rest assured that I have not left any debts of that kind behind me.

As for the men, well, I am prepared to certify that in Hongkong there are, to the square mile, three times as many thorough out-and-out good sorts, as there are in any other part of the world. Through all the grades from post-captain to midshipman, from C.O. to junior sub., from heads of departments to junior officials, from tailors to embryo tailors—in every case my experience has proved the predominance of the better sort. Of course you meet a few—very few—bonders here, as where do you not? But if you have the brains of a woman you can always easily arrange it so that you need not meet any particular one a second time.

If ever you get married, my dear, and you want a long honeymoon—two years, for instance—I advise you to go out to Hongkong; there are heaps of women places. The opinion is sometimes advanced that a spinster gets a still better time out there—I emphatically deny. Even the anonymous publication of these harmless and amiable 'Intercepted Letters'—I once heard them described by a very superior person as 'a miserable bore and so evidently written by a man'—has contributed largely to my enjoyment of life out here. I have often laughed up my sleeve at dinner-parties and other gatherings to hear the remarks made about the letters and their writer; while it always gave me, peculiar satisfaction to contribute my share to the discussion as to whether they were written by Mrs. Miss—or Mr.—

The writing of the letters was a harmless amusement, while in no single instance did they give offence to anybody. Miserably poor attempts they may have been from a literary point of view; but from a local point of view they seem to have possessed sufficient interest to inspire several imitations.

JAN. 7th.
We are nearing Singapore and I have already forgotten such minor things as mosquitoes and the shortcomings of Chinese servants and I am prepared to maintain that there is no place in the world like Hongkong. It is a great wrench coming away from the place and the knowledge that I am leaving Hongkong and the East for good makes me very sad at heart.

It has been internally—I am purposely using an adverb which will confirm the aforesaid superior person in his opinion that these letters were written by a man—not all day, but it is a beautiful and beautifully cool evening. William has just been along from the smoke room to point out to the Southern Cross to me. As Mr. Jacobs so justly remarks, it is quite as much like a cross as the Great Bear is like a bear.

William, having returned to his smoking, it again strikes me that the night is one of ideal beauty, and, as I sit alone in my deck chair I feel quite romantic and sentimental. I have just finished reading a manuscript poem which I found in William's desk when packing up and which he says was written by a friend of his in Australia. The last verse appeals to me very much at the moment—

"Night comes down at last and soon rays Glimmer from the Southern Cross—
And beneath the dazzling moon-rays
Scarcely we rack the day-light's loss
In the stillness of the star-light
Feel we strive not all in vain.
While in lonely drowse the far light
Of our youth-time comes again.
Tessie us God's Creation-story
And the Song that was, before He
Called from chaos earth and main.
By His bounteous dispensation
To our fainting hearts and weak
Thus the nights bring compensation
For the days—at Cooper's Creek!"

An Revivie Nell.

BETTY.

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SPORTING.

Yachting.

Yachting is a sport that at the present time is showing great vitality. An impetus to the recreation has undoubtedly been given by the formation of the Corinthian Yacht Club, which opens the way to general participation in a sport which provides such a full measure of pleasure, without the strenuous exertion which accompanies most of our outdoor pastimes. To forge ahead through the blue waters of the harbour, whether in a yacht like the 'Vernon,' a cruiser like the 'La Cigale,' or even in one of the one-design boats of the latest addition to Hongkong's Clubs, is, indeed, a pleasure; combine it with the joy of racing, when each skipper tries to keep to windward and, perchance, steal a march on his opponents, and you have a sport that is fully as exciting and exhilarating as any that can be named. The strength of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club is a proof of the popularity of the sport, whilst the fact progress made by the Corinthian Yacht Club is further proof, if any be needed.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.
To-morrow the second cruiser race of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club will take place. The race is for English rigged cruisers and is for the Governor's Cup. The course is to (Chungking Channel) Bell Island (starboard), twenty-two miles. The handicaps for the race are as follows: 'Haidoo' and 'La Cigale,' scratch; 'Reta,' 11 minutes; 'Iona,' 33 minutes; 'Alexandra' and 'Brynhilde' 44 minutes. A start will be made at noon and fifteen minutes afterwards the Chinese rigged cruisers race for the Commodore's Cup will commence. This race is over the same course as above. Dorothy receives 22 minutes from all other boats.

On the following day the Vice-Commodore's Cup will be sailed over the following course—Police Pier, Kowloon, to the rock one mile south-west of Kait-chow (starboard), thence to the Trocas Rocks (starboard), and back to Police Pier, Kowloon, a distance of 14 miles. The handicaps are as follows: 'Dione' and 'Vernon,' scratch; 'Egbert' 2 minutes; 'Allen,' 4 minutes; 'Alannah' 7 minutes; 'Donilo,' Colleen, Erica, Kathleen and Min. 11 minutes; 'Gloria' and 'Iris,' 14 minutes; 'Chanticleer' and 'Doreen,' 16 minutes; 'Payne,' 22 minutes; and 'Spray' 33 minutes.

On the following day the Corinthian Yacht Club takes place to-morrow, and a start will be made from the shipway at 2 p.m. The Commodore of the Club, Dr. Francis Clark, will hoist his flag on the 'La Cigale,' and lead the way for the remainder of the boats. On the following day the initial Club race will be sailed over a course from the Police Pier, Kowloon, to the Lyman Beacon (port), thence to Kowloon Rock (port), across to Meyer's East Bay (starboard) and back to the starting line, a distance of 24 miles.

Other Club Races will take place on Jan. 24, February 6 and 29, March 27 and April 9.
HONGKONG REGATTA.
The Yachting races in connection with the Hongkong Regatta will take place on February 8, just after Chinese New Year, instead of February 11, as previously arranged. The regatta promises to be so large, that the Committee consider it expedient to get the sailing races over before the rowing events take place; furthermore, it can be arranged that the rowing races will be used as line-boats for the rowing course instead of sampans.

The programme of sailing events is as follows:—
(A.) H.L.E. THE GOVERNOR'S CUP. (Third Race).
For all English rigged cruisers belonging to the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club; handicaps: Course about 16 miles. Start at 12 noon. Entrance \$1 to R.H.K.Y.C.
(B.) THE COMMODORE'S CRUIZER CUP. (Third Race).
For all Chinese rigged cruisers belonging to the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club; handicaps: Course about 16 miles. Start at 12.15 p.m. Entrance \$2 to R.H.K.Y.C.
(C.) CHINA MAIL CUP.
For the one-design yachts belonging to the Hongkong Corinthian Yacht Club. Course about 7 miles. Start at 12.30 p.m. Entrance \$4.
(D.) A race for all yachts between 26 and 20 feet linear measurement; Y.R.A. rules; handicaps: Course about 18 miles. Entrance \$4.

Football.

HONGKONG V. BATTLESHIPS.

The match between the Hongkong Football Club and the Battleships resulted in a win for the Battleships. The Club were menaced by this side placed them at a great disadvantage. The ship was soon carried into the Club's ground and a couple of fine attacks were repulsed by the Club's backs. After half-time the Naval team again began to press, and Control, by an excellent run, scored. Lapage missed the kick at goal. Shortly afterwards the ship crossed the line and scored, making the score two tries to nil, in favour of the Battleships. The game, despite the fact that the Club had only six forwards and were consequently better regularly for the ball, was interesting. Bateman for the Club played an admirable game, saving on more than one occasion. With a full team the Club would hold their own against the team they met yesterday.

Mr J. P. Jordan was unfortunate enough to sprain his ankle, while making a line run.

To-morrow afternoon the Hongkong Football Club will meet the 'Rialto' F.C. under Association Rules, at Happy Valley. Kick-off at 4.15. The following will represent the Hongkong Club:—Goal, F. H. Kow; Backs, G. E. Morrell, and W. G. Leckie; Halves, R. C. Gray, Lieut. Macdonald and E. F. Ansett; Forwards, R. Macpherson, H. H. Taylor, W. H. Williams (Capt.), C. Humphreys and J. Clark.

Cricket.

The Civil Service 'A' team will play the Police 'A' team to-morrow at the Police Ground. The following will represent the Civil Service:—F. T. Robins, L. E. Brett, A. Brown, F. Allan, H. Goldsmith, W. T. Andrews, R. H. Craig, T. Abley, W. Gast, D. Gourlay, and G. Hoggarth.

League Cricket.

The matches set down for decision to-morrow in the League competition are as follows:—
Civil Service v. Puses.
Royal Army Medical Corps v. Craigsgrove.
Hongkong 'A' team v. Royal Garrison Artillery.
Police v. Royal Engineers.

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THE LEAGUE COMPETITION.

The following is the League table up to date:—

Club	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Pts.
Amy Ordish	11	9	1	1	23
Kowloon	9	7	2	0	21
Royal Engineers	11	5	3	3	18
Police	9	4	3	2	14
R. G. A. 83rd Bn	4	4	0	0	14
Craigsgrove	9	4	4	1	13
Civil Service	11	3	6	2	11
H.K.C.C. 'A'	6	2	1	3	9
R.A.M.C.	11	2	9	0	6
Puses	8	0	8	0	0

N.B.—A win counts three points, and a draw one point.

The Kowloon Club are now ahead of the Royal Engineers in the matter of total points, but the latter have played three more games than the Kowloon team. The Kowloon Club, therefore, are much in the better position. The leading team, the Army Ordnance, has won nine matches, lost one, and drawn one, out of eleven games; Kowloon has won seven and lost two out of nine. The crushing defeat inflicted by Kowloon on the Hongkong Club's 'A' team last Saturday is an indication of their strength, and should they continued unbeaten to the end of the competition they will win the shield, providing of course that each team plays the same number of games. Kowloon are anxiously awaiting the match against the Army Ordnance Corps on January 28, for they expect to see a second defeat debilitated against the leaders. The Kowloon Club, after their success of late has, we understand, hopes of defeating the senior Club in the Colony, and if we mistake not, challenges have already passed between them.

Since writing the above we have received notice that the match between Kowloon and Hongkong will take place to-morrow. The teams are:—

HONGKONG:—R. Hancock, H. Hancock, G. E. Morrell, T. E. Pearce, Com. Shelton, R.N., C. H. Mackay, R. E. O. Bird, Com. Bunker, R.N., and W. G. Leckie. Major A. A. Chichester, and P. C. Butcher. KOWLOON:—Lt. P. M. Heath, Lt. A. W. B. Dancer, R.A., G. H. W. Dobyns, R.A., J. C. M. Doran, A.S.C. Capt. H. R. Smith, R.A., A.D.C., G. Lightfoot, W. D. J. Parkes, E. R. Herton, and W. F. Lumsden, R.A.

The match will commence at noon.

FORTHCOMING INTERNATIONAL MATCHES.

When the last mail left England the arrangements for the visit of the Australian Cricket team were completed. The team is due to leave Sydney shortly and, after travelling in America, will play the first match in England on May 4 at the Crystal Palace.

The question of the duration of test matches was discussed by the Board of Control for Test Matches and it was resolved that four of the matches would be limited to three days and the fifth, if necessary to decide the rubber, should be played to a finish. In answer to correspondent on this point Mr F. P. Warner said:

"I have always been in favour of playing Test matches in five days, to the finish, and when the matter came up at a meeting of the Middlesex Committee at Lord's last time I said so. However, it was decided by a majority to recommend the present scheme. I quite agree with you that it is a pity that county cricket should be interfered with by such a matter as to interfere with the bringing to a definite conclusion of the great international matches; but so far as next season is concerned, I, I fear, too late to alter the arrangements which have been made. The present scheme is a compromise, but I fear it is the thin end of the wedge, and when the Australians come in 1906 I confidently look forward to the Test Matches being played to a finish. I favour five rather than three, as five matches are a fairer test of the abilities of the two elevens."

THE LIST OF FIXTURES FOR THE AUSTRALIAN ELEVEN.

- 4.—Crystal Palace, Australians v. Gentlemen of England.
- 8.—Nottingham, Australians v. Notts.
- 11.—Oval, Australians v. Surrey.
- 15.—Oxford, Australians v. The University.
- 18.—Lord's, Australians v. M.C.C. and Ground.
- 22.—Sheffield, Australians v. Yorkshire.
- 25.—Manchester, Australians v. Lancashire.
- 29.—Nottingham, Australians v. England (First Test Match).
- 1.—Cambridge, Australians v. The University.
- 5.—Bristol, Australians v. Yorkshire.
- 8.—Lord's, Australians v. M.C.C. and Ground.
- 12.—Leicester, Australians v. Leicestershire.
- 15.—Lord's, Australians v. England (Second Test Match).
- 22.—Leyton, Australians v. Essex.
- 26.—Birmingham, Australians v. Warwickshire.
- 29.—Bristol, Australians v. Gloucestershire.
- 3.—Leeds, Australians v. England (Third Test Match).
- 6.—Southampton, Australians v. Hampshire.
- 10.—Derby, Australians v. Derbyshire.
- 13.—Bath, Australians v. Somerset.
- 17.—Edinburgh, Australians v. Scotland.
- 20.—Glasgow, Australians v. Scotland.
- 24.—Manchester, Australians v. England (Fourth Test Match).
- 27.—Oval, Australians v. Surrey.
- 31.—Brighton, Australians v. Sussex.
- 4.—Worcester, Australians v. Worcestershire.
- 7.—Cardiff, Australians v. South Wales.
- 10.—Lord's, Australians v. Middlesex.
- 14.—Oval, Australians v. England (Fifth Test Match).
- 17.—Nottingham, Australians v. Nottinghamshire (provisional).
- 21.—Liverpool, Australians v. Lancashire.
- 24.—Canterbury, Australians v. Kent.
- 28.—Cheltenham, Australians v. Gloucestershire.
- 31.—Bournemouth, Australians v. An England XI.
- 4.—Leyton, Australians v. Essex.
- 7.—Scarborough, Australians v. Mr. C. I. Thornton's England XI.
- 11.—Hastings, Australians v. South of England.

ROCKERY.

Entries close for the Hockey Club's Challenge Cup to-morrow with Mr T. O. Gray, Secretary.

Bowling.
The final of the Civil Service Bowling Competition was played yesterday afternoon on the Club's green, Happy Valley. The competitors left in wagers Messrs F. Howell and R. T. Lambie, who met Messrs W. Higby and W. T. Andrews. The former pair were the favourites but disappointed their supporters by not playing up to their usual style, as shown in the earlier bouts of the tournament, and the result was a rather easy win for Messrs Andrews and Higby by 21 to 14. The match was witnessed by a good number of spectators.

Training Notes.

Work at the course in the mornings is proceeding steadily and times are gradually improving. As yet they are hardly worth recording and the keen 'sports' only look to the style of the ponies when galloping. Mr Mody's bay subscription griffin is undoubtedly the best of the 60 subscription griffins, and if he is not constrained will win a few races. Mr Mumford's chestnut and his Excellency the Governor's blue dun are also first class, while Mr Jupp's little pony is coming on fast. Of the Derby griffins the best so far are Mr Mody's griffin, which has a nice free action, Mr Gresson's bay and Mr Potts' chestnut. The old ponies are all in training now—Coronet Rose, La France Rose, Marshal Niel Rose, Alladin, Polka, Beanecke, Zedine, Alaska and Fiesal—and we should, therefore, see some big fields and close finishes at the races next month. The entries close to-morrow and it should not be long before the programme is before the public. Racing notes will later on appear in this column from the pen of 'One in the Know.'

WOMAN'S EXTRAORDINARY FEAT.

A somewhat unique experience befell passengers by the Melbourne-Adelaide express recently. When the train was about half a mile on the southern side of the Goodwood station, the driver observed a plank across the rails, and a woman and a boy standing on the line, the woman frantically waving a pocket handkerchief tied to a stick. The train was stopped 15 yards from the woman, and when driver alighted from the engine, the woman said to him: "God has granted me special powers to stop all trains travelling on Sunday." All efforts to remove the woman from the line were unavailing, and the train at length proceeded slowly along the line, with the woman walking jauntily in front of it. When an attempt was made to forcibly remove her from between the rails, she wrangled violently with the constable who laid hands on her, and scratched his face with the spitefulness of a cat. The woman will be charged by the police with being of unsound mind, and unable to take care of herself.

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

After a lengthy stay in Colombo harbour, the old French gunboat 'Durand' left on December 24 for Toulon. She was followed shortly afterwards by the cruiser 'Pascot,' which is to accompany the gunboat on her journey.

The 'Kobe Chronicle' exist no longer. It is now the 'Japan Chronicle.' On January 4 it was decided to raise above Provincialism and enter the broad field of Nationalism. We congratulate our northern contemporary on the advance.

The British steamer 'Hector' arrived outside Kobe on January 2 last was detained at Wada Point by the quarantine inspector in consequence of illness of a Chinese. The case was diagnosed as smallpox, and the patient was removed to the quarantine hospital. After being disinfected the 'Hector' was allowed to enter the harbour.

Captain E. Schipper, of the s.s. 'Daphne,' chartered by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, rescued the crew of the Japanese schooner 'Kyosai Maru' on December 31. The 'Kyosai Maru' capsized in the Idzumi Sea during a severe gale and the crew along with the vessel was in great difficulty. It was with great difficulty that Captain Schipper rescued them, owing to the severity of the gale.

The Hamburg-Amerika line steamer 'O. Ford,' which arrived in Kobe on December 31, reported having rescued two Japanese at sea. When off Cape Taubae at midnight on the previous night the vessel met with a disabled junk. The sea was so rough that it was impossible to tow the junk, and after two hours a rope was thrown to it and the two men on board were rescued. The men were taken to Kobe and handed over to the Water Police by Captain von Hoff.

The Q. S. K. 'Tachi Maru' arrived at Shanghai from Hankow on January 7, having on board passengers transferred from the C. N. S. 'Kinsing,' which ran aground on the Ella Rocks on the morning of the 2nd instant. The 'Tachi Maru' saw the 'Kinsing' aground on the rocks, two miles below Kichau, at 5.50 a.m. on the 6th instant, and at the request of the captain of the 'Kinsing' stopped and transported all the passengers and mails. The damage to the 'Kinsing' is considerable and it is not likely that she will get clear of the rocks for some days to come.

Memoranda.

THURSDAY, January 19:—Goods per Express Steamer unclaimed after this date at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

FRIDAY, January 21:—9 p.m.—Performances at City Hall. Register of Shares of The West Point Building Co., Ltd., close from this date to 30th January inclusive.

Register of Shares of The Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., close from this date to 30th January inclusive.

TUESDAY, January 24:—Register of Shares of The Kowloon Land & Building Co., Ltd., close from this date to 30th January inclusive.

MONDAY, January 30:—11.45 a.m.—Meeting of The West Point Building Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office. Noon—Meeting of The Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office. 2.30 p.m.—Meeting of The Kowloon Land & Building Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

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NOTICE.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Building, on MONDAY, the 30th January, 1905, at 2.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, the 24th January to MONDAY, the 30th January (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD., General Agents for the KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LD. Hongkong, January 13, 1905. 100

NOTICE.

A CERTIFICATE No. 32 for Ten Shares of the Company standing in the Register of this Company in the name of Captain ROBERT JONES has been LOST. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a New Certificate for the said Ten Shares will be issued fourteen days hence, and that the Original Certificate unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPER, Secretary to the HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD., Agents for the KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LD. Hongkong, January 13, 1905. 101

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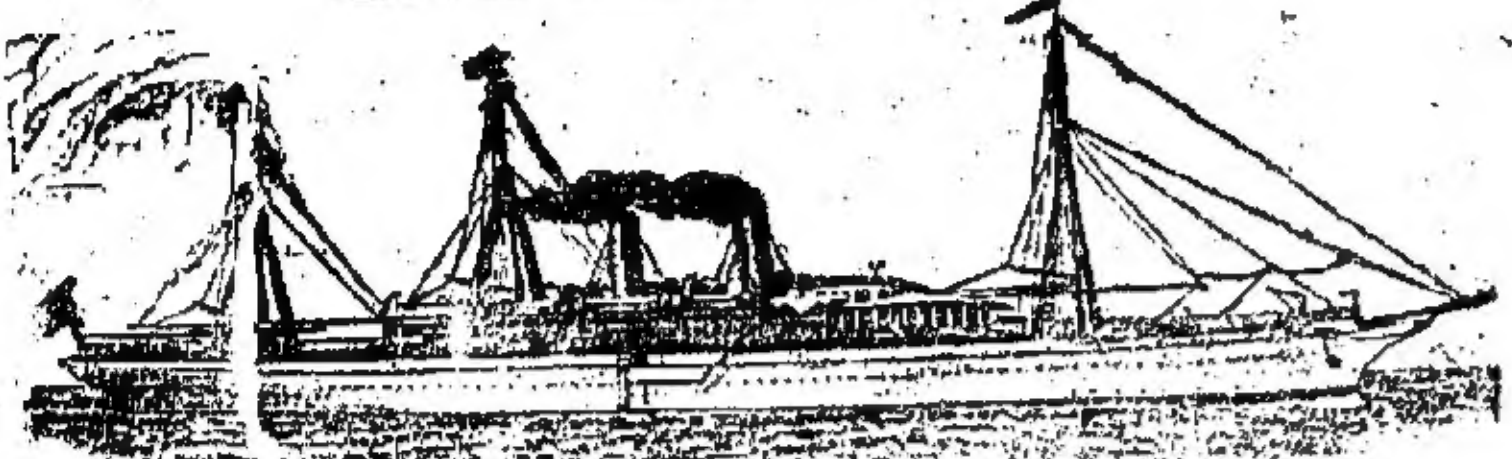
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LONDON, &c.	14th January	See Special Advertisement
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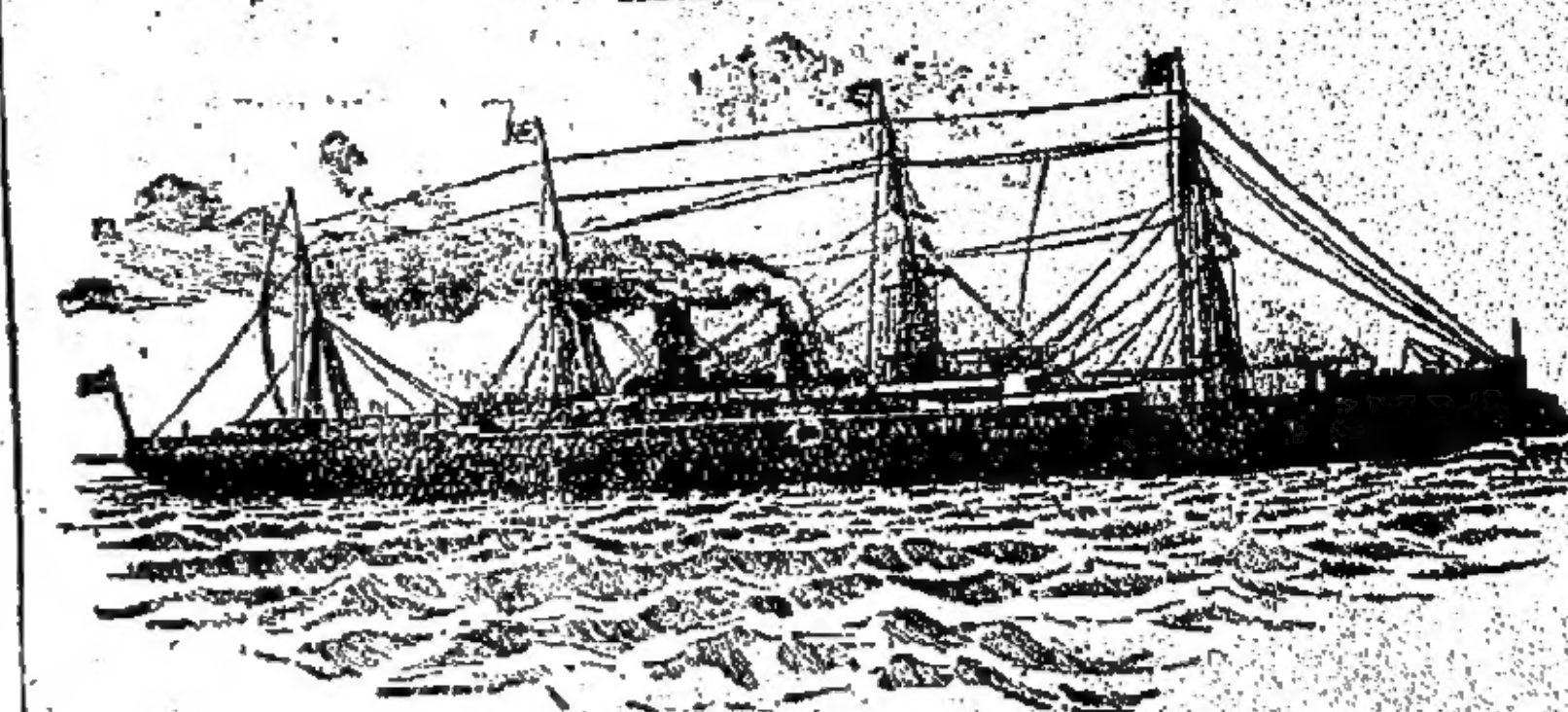
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Hongkong, January 4, 1905.

STEAM FOR FIUME AND TRIESTE Direct, Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANGOON, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ AND PORT SAID.

(Taking cargo at through rates to the BRASILA, to SOUTH AFRICA, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE AND ADRICATIAN PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship CHINA.

Captain TOMANOVICH, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 28th inst., p.m.

For information as to Passage & Freight, apply to SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents, Prince's Building.

Hongkong, January 4, 1905.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship EMPIRE.

Captain HELMS, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 8th February, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is especially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 11, 1905.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEDITERRANEAN, AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

THE Steamship AUSTRALIEN.

Captain VERMOREL, will be despatched for MARSILLES on TUESDAY, the 31st January, 1905, at 1 p.m.

Passage Tickets and through Bills of Lading issued for above ports.

Cargo also booked for principal places in Europe.

Next Sailings will be as follows:—

S.S. KAMAR-SHAMS February 7, 1905.

S.S. POLYMERIS February 21, 1905.

L. BRIDOU, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, January 11, 1905.

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE new Twin Screw Steel Steamer, KWONG OHOW, 1,300 tons, Captain J. P. MARTIN, will leave HONGKONG for CANTON at 9 Every Evening (Saturday excepted).

Leave CANTON for HONGKONG about 5.30 o'clock Every Evening (Sunday excepted).

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Hongkong, November 5, 1904.

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBROUGH, HAM-BURG, AND LONDON.

THE Steamship DENBIGHSHIRE.

Captain W. A. EVANS, having arrived from the above Ports. Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD., at Kowloon and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 18th inst., at 2.30 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 12, 1905.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER ERNEST SIMONS.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex a.s. DENBIGH, from HAVRE ex a.s. Denbigh, from BORDEAUX ex a.s. Combray, Ville de Lorient and Ville de Valenciennes, in connection with above Steamers, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 3 p.m., To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining undelivered after THURSDAY, the 19th January, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 19th January, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on THURSDAY, the 19th January, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. BRIDOU, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, January 12, 1905.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

'GLEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

FROM ANTWERP-MIDDLESBROUGH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship Glenroy, having arrived from the above ports. Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 18th inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the Damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which no Claims will be recognised.

MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, January 11, 1905.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER PALMA.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the HONGKONG WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo—From LONDON, &c. ex a.s. Persia.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 10 p.m., To-day.

Goods not cleared by the 17th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within the time of the steamer's arrival here, after which days they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 10, 1905.

MOGUL' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER ORO.

FROM MIDDLESBROUGH, GLASG

Intimations.

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December 9, 1904.

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Hongkong, December 8, 1904.

Notices to Consignees.

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

THE Co.'s Steamship *Purva*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 12 o'clock Noon, the 9th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point. No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 7, 1905.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Namsang*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. the 13th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, January 10, 1905.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP TREMONT.

FROM TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND SHANGHAI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby required to send in their bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, January 9, 1905.

BEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP BENLARIO.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are to be landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves and Godowns Co., Limited, where and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 15th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 22nd inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 9, 1905.

THE TAX GATHERERS.

(By a London Correspondent).

London, November 7.—A firm which caters all over London, both for the 'classes' and the 'masses,' is just about to open a huge restaurant in Piccadilly, and the flourish of trumpets with which it has announced through the press the main and alluring feature of its enterprise is pitched in the very highest of high keys. Nothing like its splendid regard for the people of England has, it says, ever been seen before. It has built at great expense a huge mirrored and gilt palace of an eating house, which will accommodate 2000 people all sitting down at once. Its tariff is to rival the extremely moderate tariffs of those foreign restaurants in and about Soho, which do such a roaring trade, are so wholly excellent—both as to the quality of the food supplied and the cooking of it—and to which most Australians and Americans resident in London inevitably gravitate when they have become weary of the robbery and extortion practised at the more fashionable resorts of 'dinner-out.' But that is not all. It is going to uppe London. With a ruthless disregard of the fetish-worship of custom and old-establishedness so prevalent here, it is going to inaugurate a new gastronomic era. Lo and behold, you will not be expected to tip the waiter! Only, readers of 'The Daily Telegraph' who have sojourned for a space in London will adequately realise to what extent this announcement rouses up the universe.

It is tremendous! Just think of it. A firm whose latest balance-sheet showed a dividend of over 30 per cent, is going to pay its employees a living wage! Truly, the millennium is at hand, when a London catering-house does such things as this. One can hardly realise that such an announcement can be true. But it is.

The tip to the waiter is little known in Sydney and Melbourne. You go into your hotel or cafe, and you eat and drink, and when you have finished eating and drinking you pay your bill and go away, and no man glares at you and asks you for a tip. If by any chance your benevolence has got the better of your good sense, you have presented him with a shilling or a sixpenny piece, and he has frankly regarded you as something of a 'mug.' Had you given him coppers he would probably have handed them back to you with a polite intimation that you might one day feel the need of them yourself. He has his wage, and on his wage he is dependent for his living. He is a free man, who does not need to fawn on anyone for the means to exist. Like you who grow wool, or you who traffic in it, or you who do clerical work for hire, he gives his labor for money which he earns, either from buyer or employer. There is no need for him to wax eloquent as to weather conditions, or to hand you your hat with a cringing smile, or your umbrella with a smirk, or to assist you officiously with your overcoat when you are in no need of assistance. He can afford to treat you with an splendid independence. If he is uncivil or neglectful he knows that he may be reported to his employer and lose his place. So he gives you civility and attention, as his part of the contract with his employer. There is seldom any afterthought as to what amount of coin of the realm you may reward him with for doing what he knows, and you know, he is paid to do. He just does it, and you pay your reckoning, conscious that a percentage of your payment will go to support him.

But in London—indeed, in all England and on the Continent—it is different. It is you who must support the attendant menial. It is you who must provide the ways and means of having the food which you have purchased delivered to you. The proprietor of your restaurant sees no reason whatever as to why the waiter's services should be recompensed from the amount which he receives from customers, charge he never so highly. The waiter looks after you—you must look after the waiter, or be prepared for neglect, and scorn, and all unbecomingly upon that worthy's part. Fail to give him the tip and of your change after settling with him and see how warmly he will welcome you when next you come, and how devoted he will be to your interests. Just you persist in not tipping him, and see how you will get on. Try it, when you come to London.

No, 'Emery and Percy' of 'The Bottle with Seven Necks,' where William the Conqueror used to take his 'roast, boiled, and bitter,' depends upon your coppers, and you must not, of your charity, forget it. He looks to you to support the little place where all that is anything to him exists, and he has not the least idea that you regard him scornfully for so doing, or that he is by way of being a type of English degeneration. If you were to suggest such a thing to him he would send for one of those incompetent men in blue, who would, in all likelihood, regard you as insane, and hand you before two doctors. It is well and long established that Percy and Emery should levy a tax upon you, and collect it themselves, and if you object you are an anarchist and a rebel with no belief in King, or Church, or State. Three years ago you would have been a pro-Boss.

It is a well-known fact that the waiters in many London restaurants pay highly for the privilege of waiting. To so great an extent has the tipping system become established, and so great a business, that there are few well-known and popular houses of refreshment where any wages at all are paid to waiters, whilst there are not a few where waiters pay wages to proprietors. The tip is so sure and so universal that, like the old-time tax gatherer, the waiter can afford to pay handsomely for his place. There is, at least, one establishment in the Strand not necessarily the Hotel Cecil—where the head waiter pays a sum which has to be expressed by three no mean figures in pounds sterling for his monopoly. Besides that, he provides all the attendance. So, if you come to think of it, the turnover in tips at that establishment per annum must be pretty considerable. There is another, an historic place—that once-inspired Tennyson—where the two waiters in the quaint old grill room with arched floor, which perpetuates its traditions, pay good large sums for their places, and where they are daily and weekly waiting very prosperous and fat on the proceeds of their taxation. And there are many others. The tax is not a heavy one. Seldom are you expected to leave more than two or three coppers. But it is an unjust one, and so the necessity—and there is a necessity—of paying it rankles in the bosom of the newcomer to London until he becomes acclimatised, and used to this, and many other, impositions. And under it all he thinks, and perhaps thinks rightly, that he can discern no insignificant indication of a national degeneracy. And if you come to look at it all in this way, it makes you just a little bit sad—that is, if you have ever had any ideals as to the destiny of the Anglo-Saxon race.

For, in England, the scramble for the odd copper, and the servility which seeks to earn it, in one of the most striking details of the social system, to the man or woman from a new country, where there is more equality, and less class distinction, and where no one touches his hat to another who is a little better dressed than he is himself. It is a phase of English life to which you do not take kindly, one of the disappointments of England. Perhaps it is the custom of centuries, but somehow one cannot realise that in the London of long ago—the London which spoke its mind openly to unjust Kings, and whose people were ever quick to manifest their sturdy independence, and intolerance of overmuch patronage of the sort which implies 'You may live because I smile'—such poor spirit existed. You see it everywhere. Ask the way of a working man in the street, he expects some copper. Pay a cabman in excess of his legal fare in silver, and he will think you mean if there is not an odd twopenny or threepenny added thereto. Let a guard on a railway station open the carriage door, and he will touch his hat in expectation of acknowledgment in minor coin. After a while you will lose your free faith in human nature, and begin to think that London is peopled with demons, that either give or receive twopenny, that nothing can be done for sheer good nature, that the trifling services which hitherto you have regarded as any man's right to ask and to demand, that either give or receive twopenny, with courage. You will realise, indeed, that the struggle for life is very bitter here, and that in Australia we have no conception as to what it really means, but, on the other hand, you will begin to see that the Englishman is not the sturdy independent that you used to think he was. It will seem to you to be one of those straws which serve to show how the wind blows, and, philosophically, you will think heaven that our people are not as these others.

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A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 20, 1904.

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S. SHIGENAGA,
Manager.

Hongkong, February 2, 1904.

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TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, November 7, 1904.

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RESERVE FUND.....\$10,000,000.

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900.

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CAPITAL PAID-UP.....£2,000,000.

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T. P. COCHRANE,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 20, 1904.

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PAID UP.....£562,500.

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EVAN ORRISON,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 14, 1904.

Banks.

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E. W. RUTTER,
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